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千年迷宮の壁新聞

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STORY

千年迷宮イグニス城に囚められた優秀な八人の若者。彼らの中のいずれかが、次にこの国を治める皇帝になると定められている。

不審を抱きながら、城の最深部に進むユアンは、『真王の間』にてアマデウスは生きており、その正体はメサイアだったと知る。オセロと"メサイア"は、滅びたイグニス朝の復活を目指す"血統復古党"の特殊工作員だったのだ。オセロに刃を向けられるユアン——絶対絶命に思われたが、メサイアはユアンを救い、改めて彼に尽くすと誓う。

オセロを含めた八人は次なる試練である迷路に立ち向かい、タイタス・オーガスト・ザン・ギデオンはついに城の外への脱出に成功する。

メサイアは、オセロを伴い行き止まりへの道を選ぶ。オセロを振り切った後、メサイアは限られた時間と情報から脱出の術を探るが——。

一方、ユアンとロレンスは『千年牢』を通じて、城外への脱出に成功する。しかし、安堵する間もなく、皇城より皇帝直属の黒獅子騎士団が訪れ、皇帝の息子であるロレンスに「お父上が危篤である」と告げる——!!

CHARACTERS

ユアン

心優しく他人を慮じる心を持つ。実はイグニス皇帝の血を引く存在。

ロレンス

馬術や剣術に優れる。その正体は皇帝の息子。ユアンが王になることを願っている。

オーガスト

千年迷宮城の持ち主である書師の子息。女装男子。タイタスに連れられ城の地図を取り戻そうとしている。

メサイア

卓越した推理力で名を馳せる宰相代。血統タイタスとは大昔の仲。その正体は"血統復古党員のアマデウス。現在生死不明。

ザン

帝国一のカリスマ騎手。貞臣だが、賄賂に優れる。胃中に揺々しい刺青が入っている。

ギデオン

若手市民運動家。次代皇帝にと望む声が絶えない。平和の為、争乱の種となるユアンを殺そうとした。

タイタス

大盗賊団のリーダー。貧しい人々を助けることのない国を作るため、実績をもつ皇帝となることを目指している。

オセロ

血統復古党の秘密工作員。貴族の血をひくユアンを救し、メサイアとともアマデウスを次なる皇帝にするため画策する。逃亡にて完亡。

Drawn for you!

Summary of the previous chapter

THEY ESCAPED FROM THE THOUSAND-YEAR LABYRINTH, BUT NOW ARE FACED WITH CRISIS!!

Prince Lawrence.
We must by all means make haste to the imperial palace.
Your father is on the verge of death.
THEY'RE TOLD ABOUT THE CRITICAL CONDITION OF HIS FATHER AND THE EMPEROR RULING THE COUNTRY!!

Law...
Law-rence!!
THE EMPEROR..?
ON THE VERGE OF DEATH...?!
...!
...Ewan.
Lawrence...! We'll be fine, really...!

Rush to your father's side...!
.....
It's... That Ignis descendant's...
...Commander.
Is, by chance, that boy Ewan Juno?

Prince Lawrence ...!
Prince!
Prince ...!
So you.
It is not very far to the imperial palace!
We are on the shore of Lake Kyrillos within the emperor's domain.
We, the Black Lion Chivalric Order, are the emperor's shadow
There is nothing we do not know about his Majesty
You knew that I'm biologically related to the imperial family!

It is most mortifying to know we could not protect His Majesty from assassination.
Now that I have acquired someone I wish to protect at the cost of my life...!
I understand... that feeling.
Go after him and protect him...!
I'm going ahead!
Prince!
PRINCE...
HOWEVER, IF THE ONE YOU HAVE SWORN YOUR LOYALTY TO IS THAT BOY...

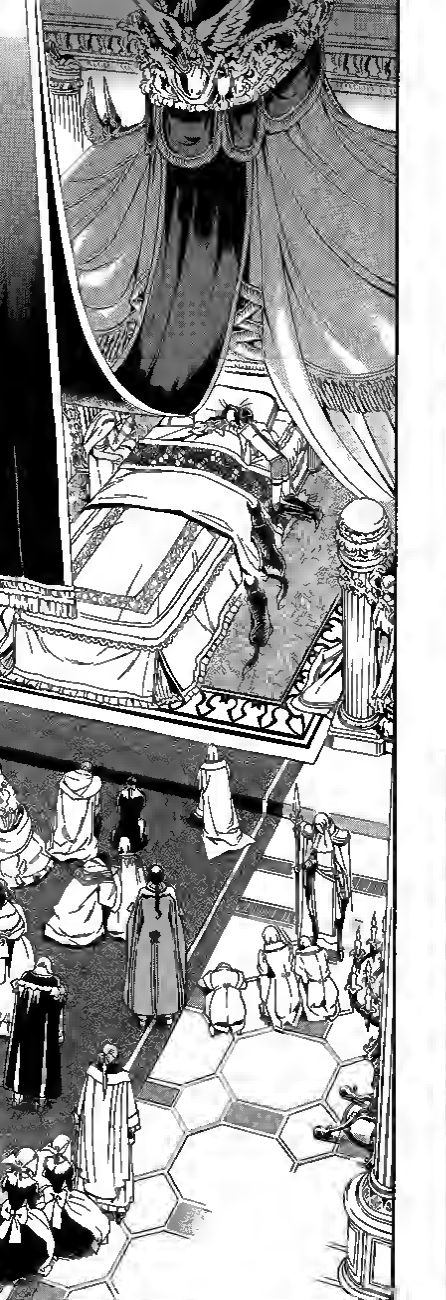
That wish of yours may no longer be possible to grant.
Ewan! Come to the fire.
...If the emperor passes away...
You'll catch a cold!

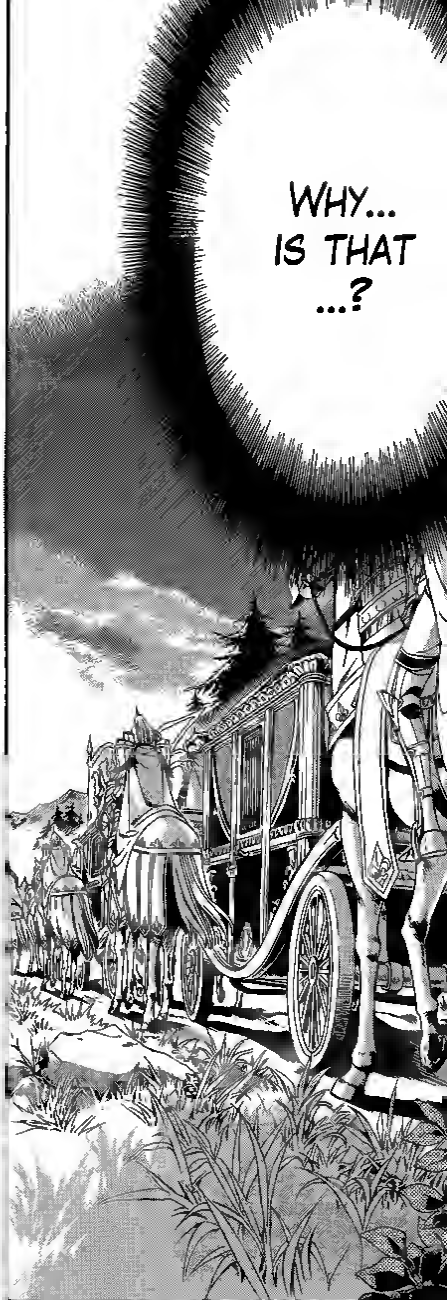
What will happen to us in that case?
Usually, it takes 10 or 20 years until the title is passed.
During that time, the seven candidates undergo training.
The worst possibility is that the country will be handed over to us without the preparation period...?
Ehh ...!?
Wait a bit I haven't graduated yet.
And I haven't given back the notes to my friend...
And I have books I need to read and return to the library.
Could it be that you still plan on going back to your previous lifestyle?
However...
I don't think everything will be over once the title is passed.
At any rate, don't forget that the emperor was poisoned...
Hey!
.....

Someone's coming again ...!!
The White Wolf Chivalric Order... They escorted us to the castle of the thousand-year labyrinth!
So this means this time they have come for us...!
I was carried there when I was asleep so it's the first time I've seen them..
I sincerely express congratulations
to all present emperor candidates.
We're saved...!
We're all sick of camping out.

Yeah...? So we'll be riding this?
How showy.
This is because we do not know where the sanguinists are hiding.
Yeah... If it's possible, I'd like to borrow a horse.
Um..
Gideon and Titus.
And also Ewan, get your wounds looked at shortly.
Certainly
We need something to wear!
Who are you talking about?
Another person should still be in the lake.
Messiah... No, a candidate named Amadeus Frockhert.
Ahh.

That Messiah Reed?
Not to worry, we will definitely track him down.
バタン
...?
...Thank you.
You think so, too, Titus...?
The atmosphere is strange.
I think I'll go talk to the others, too...
What's wrong?
...Oh.
A lock...?
There's a lock hanging on the carriage's door...




WHY...
IS THAT
...?

Lawrence... You got here on time ..!
Lord Oulade...!
Uncle...
I've been friends with Gilbert since our teenage years,
Please, call me uncle now...!
Law-rence...
If it's possible, I'd be happy if you succeeded your father.
...No.
Now that it's become like this .. I think I owe you an apology...
and he's the emperor I've respected more than anyone...!

Because of that, I made you my little sister's son.
You carry our name, so I recommended you as an emperor candidate.
.....I cannot do that.
Because there is a person
whom I have decided to devote my life to.
This is... Could it be one of the present emperor candidates?
..Why are you asking...?
They were sent to jail.

Gideon Redfield,
August Morgan,
and Zan Audupon are being interrogated about the circumstances of the incident that occurred in the castle of the thousand-year labyrinth and their relations to the sanguinists.
Othello Blackmore, a sanguinist, will be collected shortly on the charge of the emperor's assassination and being the mastermind behind the series of other affairs.
And, on the charge of being a member of a principle offender group,
Messiah Reed is being frantically searched for by the chivalric order.

Titus Ram, a thief, vanished from the carriage before it arrived at the prison,
so both the army and the chivalric order are in the middle of tracing his whereabouts.
Ewan... What...
What in the world happened to Ewan...!?
Are you talking about the descendant of Ignis, Ewan Juno-Ignis...?

That boy, who became a symbol of the current rebellion because of his lineage,
Ewan is captured!?
Will likely never leave that prison alive.